

Birthday Party Options

Robinson Nature Center offers both room rentals and birthday party packages that can accommodate up to 20 children and up to 40 guests total. If your party will have more than 40 guests, please speak with our Rental Coordinator about use of the auditorium. For more information, call 410-313-0400.

Room Rentals

Room rentals are \$100 per hour for Howard County residents and \$125 per hour for non-residents. Room rentals include:

- Tables and chairs set to your specifications
- Access to refrigerator, freezer and ice machine
- Complimentary admission for guests to Robinson Nature Center exhibits and trails.

The time you need for your set-up and clean-up must be included in your room rental. Rooms are rented in one-hour increments.

* A refundable security deposit of \$200 is required for all rentals.

Packages

If you are interested in more than just a room rental for your birthday party, we offer nine themed birthday party packages. Packages include:

- Tables and chairs set to your specifications
- Access to refrigerator, freezer and ice machine
- Complimentary admission for guests to Robinson Nature Center exhibits and trails
- A 2 hour room rental* that includes:
 - 30 minute program led by a staff naturalist
 - 1 hour and 15 minutes for your desired party activities
 - 15 minutes for clean up
- A complimentary half-hour prior to your rental's start time to set-up
- Invitations for twenty guests
- Balloons, birthday banner and table coverings

Robinson Nature Center

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Hours Of Operation

Wednesday-Saturday 9 AM-5 PM
Sunday Noon-5 PM

Daily General Admission*

Adults \$5
Children (3-17 years) \$3
Children under 3 years Free

**Admission is complimentary for individuals and families every Wednesday. Group visits are subject to admission fees and must be booked in advance.*

Annual Passes

Annual pass holders are entitled to complimentary general admission to Robinson, use of its trails, markdowns in the gift shop during designated events and discounted admission to certain programs. Annual passes expire December 31 of each year.

(NR) = Non-Resident of Howard County.

Senior (50 years +)	\$20 / \$40 (NR)
Student (with valid school ID)	\$20 / \$40 (NR)
Individual	\$25 / \$50 (NR)
Family (immediate household)	\$50 / \$100 (NR)

Friends Of Robinson Memberships

These memberships include an annual pass to the nature center, as well as friends-only benefits. Please visit www.friendsoftherobinsonnaturecenter.org for details.

Patron	\$175
Supporter	\$250
Sustainer	\$500
Lifetime	\$1,000

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Scheduling Birthday Parties

Birthday parties are scheduled on the weekends during the following time slots.

Saturdays 10 AM-noon or 2 PM-4 PM

Sundays 2-4 PM

Nature Puppet Theater

Your little one will be the star of the show in this fun-filled puppet adventure! Let your imagination run wild and watch as our animal puppets come to life! After the puppet show, we'll follow our puppet friends on a short walk along our trails to learn about the real animals that live in and around the nature center.

Recommended ages: 2 years and up

Package cost: \$325



Butterfly Bonanza

Each birthday is a big step in the life of your child. In this birthday program, children discover how butterflies and moths change in different stages of their lives. Each participant "becomes" a butterfly or moth and takes a journey through the Robinson Nature Center.

Recommended ages: 2 years and up

Package cost: \$325



Seasonal Nature Hike

Is your child a lover of the outdoors? In this birthday program, kids hike the trails with a naturalist and discover enchanting seasonal changes that happen each year during their birth month. They'll hunt for native trees and plants; discover the signs of animals that frequent the trails on their birthday; and encounter natural phenomena.

Recommended ages: 2 years and up

Package cost: \$325



Meet A Creature

Get up close and personal with creatures from nature! Pick reptiles & amphibians (snakes, turtles and salamanders) or sea life (horseshoe crabs, starfish, conchs and urchins). Learn about these amazing creatures through interactive activities and "touch time."

Recommended ages: 3 years and up

Package cost: \$325



Frogs, Toads & Salamanders, Oh My!

Jump for joy with this birthday party program in which our amphibious friends – frogs, toads and salamanders – are highlighted. Through activities and games, you'll discover the amazing ability of these creatures and enjoy "hopping" challenges.

Recommended ages: 3 years and up

Package cost: \$325



Woodland Fairies

Come explore the magic of nature! Learn about the plants, animals and amazing natural phenomena that make up a fairy's kingdom. Each participant "becomes" a fairy and journeys through Robinson Nature Center's exhibits or trails searching for signs that other fairies are nearby.

Recommended ages: 3 years and up

Package cost: \$325



Party Favor Bag "Add-On"

Add \$100 to any birthday party package and we provide you with 20 party favor bags full of goodies from our nature gift shop that you can give out to the kids. Each bag includes a number of items such as a large tumble stone, a temporary tattoo, a bug pin, a sheet of animal stickers and a twig pencil. Custom gift bags are available. Call 410-313-0400 for details.

Nature Through The Senses

In this birthday program, kids explore how different animals use their senses of sight, hearing, touch, smell and taste. They'll be challenged to discover how their own senses match up with sensory-oriented games and activities. Can they see as well as a hawk? Is their nose as sensitive as a bear's? This party is full of fun from the tip of the nose down to the toes.

Recommended ages: 4 years and up

Package cost: \$325



Full-Dome Movie Party

Ready to take your birthday party out of this world? This birthday program takes place in the NatureSphere planetarium. You and your friends will find yourselves immersed in space through a full-dome feature film experience. With several films to choose from, you have options that include looking at the stars along with Big Bird and Elmo (*One World, One Sky: Big Bird's Adventure*) and witnessing the birth of a black hole (*Black Holes: The Other Side of Infinity*). Ask for a list of our full-dome feature films and pick the one that's best for you!

Recommended ages: 3 years and up

Package cost: \$400



Ex-stream Encounters

(Available seasonally from April – October)

Love the water? Why not celebrate down by the river? This extended* party option takes you and your guests down to the Middle Patuxent River to explore life in the stream and splash around! Guests can choose their level of participation; we recommend guests wear clothes and shoes they can get wet, and bring a towel and a change of shoes.

*this party lasts 2 and ½ hours to allow time for guests to reach the river. The naturalist-led portion of the program lasts 1 hour. The hike is 10 minutes each way on unpaved trails.

Recommended ages: 4 years and up

Extended Package cost: \$425

